



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Cover Sheet

Date: 2/14/2022 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation Follow Up **Arrival:** 9:10 AM **Departure:** 11:45 AM

CCLC-52583

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Quality Rated: ★

<u>Compliance Zone Designation</u>			Compliance Zone Designation - A summary measure of a program's 12 month monitoring history, as it pertains to child care health and safety rules. The three compliance zones are good standing, support, and deficient. Good Standing - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules. Support - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules. Deficient - Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.
02/14/2022	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing	
01/20/2022	POI Follow Up	Good Standing	
12/15/2021	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	

Ratios/License Capacity

Building	Room	Age Group	Staff	Children	NC/C	Max 35 SF.	35 SF. Comp.	Max 25 SF.	25 SF. Comp.	Notes
Main	A- 6wks - 12 mths Infant	Infants	1	6	C	12	C	NA	NA	Floor Play, Feeding
Main	B- 1's	One Year Olds	1	3	C	12	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	C- 1's- 2's	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	7	C	15	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	D- 2's	Two Year Olds	1	8	C	20	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Out side
Main	E- 5-12 yrs		0	0	C	25	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	F- 3's	Three Year Olds	1	7	C	25	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	G- GA-Pre K	GA PreK	2	22	C	22	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	H- 4's	GA PreK	2	18	C	30	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	I- 4's	Four Year Olds	1	9	C	30	C	NA	NA	Story, Circle Time

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 191

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 80

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 191

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A-6wk-2yr	29	C
Main	Playground B- 3-12 yrs	46	C
Main	Playground C-3-4's	88	C

Main	Playground D- Water Play	6	C
Main	Playground E- 2-4 yrs	14	C

Comments

The purpose of today's visit was to conduct a Complaint Investigation Follow Up Visit.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 02/14/2022

Any rule violation which subjects a child to injury or life-threatening situation or any rule violations previously cited but not corrected, may result in the imposition of an adverse enforcement action. Serious or continued noncompliance may also jeopardize participation in one or more DECAL program(s).



Please refer to the website, <http://www.dec.state.ga.us/CCS/Regulations.aspx>, for information regarding October 1, 2018 rule changes about Criminal Records Checks that may affect your facility. In summary,

- New records checks will be required to be completed if a staff member experiences a six month break in service from the child care industry
- New clearance is required at least once every five years
- Any staff member solely responsible for supervising children will be required to have completed a comprehensive background clearance
- All staff members are required to have completed at least a national fingerprint based clearance check
- Any staff member with only the national fingerprint based clearance, must be under constant and direct supervision of a staff member with a satisfactory comprehensive records check clearance
- Facilities are required to use DECAL KOALA for Criminal Records Checks, including to verify portability of an employee



Important New Deadlines:

Due to the ongoing COVID restrictions, the deadline to become Quality Rated for programs who want to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS), has been extended to at least December 31, 2021.

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <https://qualityrated.dec.state.ga.us/>
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us

O.C.G.A. Section 42.1.12(i)(2) requires Bright from the Start: Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning to notify licensed child care programs on accessing and retrieving from the Georgia Bureau of Investigation's (GBI) website a list of the names and addresses of all registered sexual offenders. Please see GBI's website located at <http://gbi.georgia.gov> to access the Georgia Sex Offender Registry.

Refutation Process:

You have the right to refute any of the citations noted in this report with which you disagree. To refute a citation(s), e-mail the following information to CCSRefutations@dec.state.ga.us.

- 1) Facility name, license number and visit date
- 2) Your name, title/relationship to the facility, e-mail address & up to two phone number(s) where you can be reached
- 3) Specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, along with your concerns or questions regarding the rule citation

Refutations must be submitted to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

A sample form for submitting a refutation can be found at: <http://dec.state.ga.us/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx>

Your refutation will be forwarded to the appropriate CCS manager, who will follow up with you about your concerns. If you have any questions about this process, contact our office at 404-657-5562.

Bright from the Start recommends that all licensed child care providers carry liability insurance coverage sufficient to protect its clients. If you do not have this liability insurance, you are required to post a notice with ½ inch letters in a conspicuous location in the program, notify the parent or guardian of each child in care in writing, obtain their signature to acknowledge receipt and maintain this written acknowledgment on file at the program at all times while the child attends the program and for 12 months after the child's last date of attendance. (O.C.G.A. Section 20-1A-4)

Deidra Seymore, Program Official

Date

Mandi Sloan, Consultant

Date



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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Complaint Investigation Follow Up:

Safety

591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)

Met

Comment

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 25

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Staff # 1 Met

Date of Hire: 03/02/2020

Staff # 2 Met

Date of Hire: 02/01/2022

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 12/13/2021

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 4 Met

Date of Hire: 09/20/2021

Staff # 5 Met

Staff # 6 Met

Date of Hire: 03/25/2017

Staff # 7 Met

Date of Hire: 05/18/2021

Staff # 8

Met

Date of Hire: 08/25/2021

Staff # 9

Met

Date of Hire: 08/02/2019

Staff # 10

Met

Date of Hire: 07/26/2021

Staff # 11

Met

Date of Hire: 08/06/2021

Staff # 12

Met

Staff # 13

Met

Date of Hire: 08/01/2018

Staff # 14

Met

Date of Hire: 01/27/2020

Staff # 15

Met

Date of Hire: 08/01/2018

Staff # 16

Met

Date of Hire: 07/21/2017

Staff # 17

Met

Date of Hire: 06/03/2021

Staff # 18

Met

Date of Hire: 01/28/2022

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 19

Met

Date of Hire: 10/08/2021

Staff # 20

Met

Staff # 21

Met

Date of Hire: 01/13/2022

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 22

Met

Date of Hire: 08/11/2016

Staff # 23	Not Met
Date of Hire: 02/19/2022	<u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
<u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u>	
.09-Criminal Records Check Missing	

Staff # 24	Met
Date of Hire: 07/07/2021	

Staff # 25	Met
Date of Hire: 09/20/2021	

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 2

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)	Not Met
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Finding

591-1-1-.09(1)(c) requires the Center to ensure that every Employee has a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Center while any child is present for care or before an individual age 17 or older resides in the Center. The Comprehensive Records Check Determination must have a Records Check Clearance Date that is no older than the preceding 12 months of the hire date; provided, however, if the Employee has had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, a new satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination is required. It was determined based on a review of records that staff person # 23 did not have a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination. Staff person # 23, with documented date of re- hire of February 9, 2022 and a previous termination date of April 14, 2021, was observed to have a lapse of employment from the child care industry of more than six months. Staff person # 23 was observed present in classroom Middle Right with seven three-year-old children. A one day letter was left on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

IMMEDIATE CORRECTION - The Center will ensure that every Employee has a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Center while any child is present for care or before an individual age 17 or older resides in the Center. The Comprehensive Records Check Determination must have a Records Check Clearance Date that is no older than the preceding 12 months of the hire date; provided, however, if the Employee has had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, a new satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination is required. The program's owner or an officer/member of the corporation must view the A to Z Background Check video units pertaining to this records check rule and return the signed affidavit within one week from this visit date. The center will ensure the CRC rules are maintained.

Correction Deadline: 2/14/2022**Finding**

591-1-1-.09(1)(l)2. requires the Center to immediately require a new Comprehensive Records Check Determination for a Director, Employee or Provisional Employee when there has been a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 calendar days (6 months) or longer. It was determined based on a review of records that the program did not immediately require a new Comprehensive Records Check Determination for an Employee who had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted longer than six months. Staff person # 23 with a documented date of re- hire of February 9, 2022 and a previous termination date of April 14, 2021. Staff person # 23 was observed present in classroom Middle Right with seven three-year-old children. A one day letter was left on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

IMMEDIATE CORRECTION - The Center will immediately require a new Comprehensive Records Check Determination for Directors, Employees or Provisional Employees Employee's when there has been a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 calendar days (6 months) or longer. The program's owner or an officer/member of the corporation must view the A to Z Background Check video units pertaining to this records check rule and return the signed affidavit within one week from this visit date. The Center will ensure CRC rules are maintained.

Correction Deadline: 2/14/2022